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13807822 LINE

1122189 ITEM

3318584 APPROVED

6524050 AMOUNT

14623945 WORK

12038653 ORDER

28936 WORK(1W)ORDER

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... the entries over time does exactly the right thing. We end up with
the current **approved budget amount**, and we get exactly
those line items in the given departments that have a *****budget***** . Line
items in the chart of accounts that have no **budget** in a department do
not appear in the report nor do they occupy any records...

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AN APPLICATION AND PAYMENT DATABASE SYSTEM FOR LENDERS AND BUILDERS AND A
METHOD THEREFOR

SYSTEME DE BASE DE DONNEES DE PAIEMENT ET DE DEMANDE DE PRET POUR PRETEURS
ET CONSTRUCTEURS ET PROCEDE ASSOCIE

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... lender on that particular work item/trade.

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application would calculate the difference between the **budget** amount and the actual cost. If there is an excess, the electronic application will then ask the builder if the excess should be applied to the "contingency/change order" **line item** on the electronic application. If there is a deficient, this amount is be automatically deducted from the "contingency/change order" **budget** amount. If the "contingency/change order" *****line***** *****item***** becomes depleted of it **budget** amount through change orders or work items/trade deficiencies, then the amount to be distributed...

...builder on the requested application for payment is reduced by the difference between the original **approved budget amount** and the change orders or work items/trade deficiencies.

To apply for the draw/payment...

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EXPENSE TRACKING, ELECTRONIC ORDERING, INVOICE PRESENTMENT, AND PAYMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD

SYSTEME ET PROCEDE DE SUIVI DE DEPENSES, DE COMMANDE ELECTRONIQUE, DE PRESENTATION DE FACTURE ET DE PAIEMENT

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Claims

Claim

A method for performing automated commerce ordering, comprising:
creating a **budget** for a transaction, the **budget** including a
total price and at least one **line item**, each **line**
item including an **approved work order** price;
if the **budget** does not exceed a **budget** maximum, approving the
budget;
creating a work order for each **line item**, each work order
specifying a vendor
to complete the work order;
transmitting the work order...

...invoice information

including an invoiced price;
if the invoiced price is not greater than the **approved work**
order price or a

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preset overage tolerance, approving the invoiced price; and
initiating payment of the...

...5 The method of claim 1, wherein the budget exceeds a budget
maximum if the **approved work order** price exceeds a
line ***item*** maximum.

6 The method of claim 1, further comprising:
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if the budget exceeds a...

...a budget for a
transaction, the budget including a total price and at least one
line item, each **line**
item including an **approved work order** price;
second computer readable program code means for approving the
budget if
the **budget** does not exceed a **budget** maximum;
third computer readable program code means for creating a work order for
each **line item**, each work order specifying a vendor to
complete the work order; fourth computer readable program...

...means for approving the invoiced price if the invoiced price is not
greater than the **approved work order** price; and seventh
computer readable program code means for initiating payment of the
approved invoice...

...the processor using information input into the user interface, the
budget including at least one **line item**, each **line**
item including an
approved work order price;
wherein, if the **budget** does not exceed a **budget** maximum, the
budget is
approved via the processor;
wherein a work order is created for each **line item** via the
processor, each
wherein the work order is transmitted to the vendor via the...

...information including an invoiced price;
wherein, if the invoiced price is not greater than the **approved**
work order price or a preset price overage tolerance, the
invoiced price is approved via the
processor...

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Claim

... fulfillment. In the case of budgets, however, since budgets are often partner/vendor-specific, a **budget** is created as a "dummy" purchase order. An initial *****budget***** amount is entered before any expenditure is actually approved. As expenditures are **approved**, a "committed" **amount** is increased by the *****amount***** of the *****approved***** expenditure. A corresponding MWS is then created. Purchasing functions--PSRI--may be performed based on...
...determine when a particular vendor invoice is ready for payment. Multi-vendor budgets allow for **budget** tracking and enforcement with respect to a category of related expenditures where ...of purchase. A non-specific, or universal, partner is created for this purpose. Again, a *****budget***** is created by creating a dummy PO. When funds are committed, a MWS is created...

...be paper and another item might be coffee. These items may come from the same *****budget***** but be ordered from different vendors. The creation of POs by item, together with **budget** tracking by MWS, allows this flexibility.

Budgets

In present common business practice, budgets and **budget** enforcement are

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largely hit and miss. The mechanism of a common demand document makes ondemand **budget** control and automatic invoice payment simple and easy to implement. In particular, budgets become tied...

...discipline of purchase orders and vendor payments. That is, the present system provides real-time **budget** control and statusing instead of requiring *****budget***** reconciliation. The implementation of budgets provides a concrete example of the extensibility of the present...

...manner, existing mechanism for processing Cost of Goods (COG) items are adapted for processing expense (*****budget*****) items. In accordance with this approach, a Customer file may represent a COG customer or...

...Expense."

In the present system, budgeting is done largely by partner or vendor. Because a **budget** is usually vendor-specific, it is much more concrete (much more real) than the typical departmental **budget**, which is often more guesswork than anything else. In particular, a Partner file has two...

...accounting view that takes advantage of the related switch feature.

Within the accounting view, a *****budget***** page is provided. Within the database structure, a hidden table (a partner-specific "dummy PO") holds *****budget***** information. The *****budget***** process may be more clearly understood with reference to Figure 168. As seen therein, budgets may be set based on a variety of infort-nation including **budget** expense history (including overbudget or underbudget amounts by account within a Chart of Accounts, or...

...for employees, sales expenses, etc. Current partner

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proposals (external proposals) are stored in respective **budget** files. Internal estimates (internal proposals) not specific to any partner are stored in a "TBD..."

...holding tank." The foregoing information constitutes a baseline reference for arriving at a COA-specific *****budget*****. The baseline reference is adjusted experientially to arrive at a *****budget***** by COA. Typically, to prepare a **budget**, historical amounts spent on each partner

and each chart of accounts are reviewed and a determination is made whether to **budget** roughly the same amount, increase the amount or decrease the amount. A *****budget***** line is then assigned for that partner or COA. Once a *****budget***** has been set, the various people responsible for expenditures undertake a basic budgeting exercise in which they create **budget** items by projecting a schedule of payments up to the *****budget***** cap. *****Budget***** items can be broken down into greater detail (in much the same fashion as Items Sold/Item Detail) and distributed to different COAs. *****Budget***** items are categorized by key.

*****Budget***** keys are used to link partners, customers and MWSs. When a key is created, the...

...payments under that key can be viewed.

Before any expenditure can be made, a corresponding **budget** item must be

approved by a supervisory user such as a department head, CFO, etc. A user selects one or more **budget** items within a partner file and clicks Submit. The selected *****budget***** items are then submitted for approval.

*****Budget***** item approval can be performed by partner or by COA. An approval window shows COAs with dollar amounts submitted. Selecting a COA shows partners for which *****budget***** items have been submitted. Selecting a partner displays actual payments submitted for approval. Preferably, an...

...also provided for storing online relevant documentation such as contracts, proposals, etc. To approve a *****budget***** item, a supervisory user selects spe

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cific payments or selects all payments and clicks...

...a particular partner to be exceeded. Similarly, a warning is displayed when approval of a **budget** item would cause a COA cap to be exceeded. Each *****budget***** *****line***** *****item***** is quantified and

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represented as an item in much the same fashion as if it were a physical item, except that a **budget line item** has associated with it an account. ***Budget*** line items having the same expected partner are associated together in the form of a partner-specific dummy PO. ***Budget*** line items having different expected partners may also associated together in the form of a...

...meaning that an invoice cannot be paid without overriding the system. Commitment controls payment. A ***budget*** item is committed by selecting that line and clicking Cominit. As a result, an item (Item Sold, used here for **budget** purposes) is added to a MWS for the appropriate ***budget*** key. ***Budget*** MWSs are kept by key; e.g., a software design MWS would contain all expected payments for the current ***budget*** year as created by users. As with a COG item, once a ***budget*** item is present on a MWS, it is available to create a PO. All of the COG infrastructure applicable to items may then be applied and brought to bear on ***budget*** items. A MWS item may be further broken down, by adding under an item items...

...of missing a crucial payment and incurring a penalty, as with tax payments, rent, etc. ***Budget*** enforcement is automatic. As illustrated in Figure 168, if an item come in over **budget**, it cannot be paid through the non-nal flow of vendor invoice verification. Rather, CFO approval is required to add additional monies to the **budget**, which will most often come from another **budget** account that affects the user. To avoid the need for **budget** realignm-ment, an incent

ive exists for the user and the partner to cooperate to...

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